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MEMO FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Docket No. FAA-1999-5483, Notice No. 99-03,

Part 105 NPRM

DATE: 9/25/00

MEETING _____ TELEPHONE CONFERENCE __X____ VISIT ____

NAME(S) OF INVOLVED PARTIES: Ed Scott, United States Parachute Association

MARRATIVE: Several commenters to the NPRM expressed concerns that the proposal for pilots of jump aircraft to contact the air traffic control(ATC) facility who has jurisdiction over the airspace will prohibit or alter the current industry practice of notifying the Flight Service Stations (FSS) with jump information for the purposes of issuing a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM). The current part 105 requires that pilots contact the nearest ATC facility or the FSS for the purpose of receiving traffic information, NOT for the purpose of submitting or relaying NOTAM information. It is my opinion that the commenters misunderstand the current requirement, though I wondered if there is another document that contains this requirement.

In order to clarify this issue, I called Mr. Ed Scott, from the United States Parachute Association. Mr. Scott stated that he is not aware of any regulation for the filing of NOTAMS, though he thinks there may be an Advisory Circular which encourages this practice. He said that this is a longstanding industry practice. I stated that the NPRM did not propose any change to the regulation regarding the filing and dissemination of NOTAMS.

I told Mr. Scott that we expect publication of the final rule by the end of November, and that I would call him and let him know when it is out.

CONCLUSION/ACTION: Call Mr. Scott when rule is published.

SIGNATURE: Cle Crum, ATA-415, Air Traffic Airspace and Rules Division